

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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REMARKS

This response is intended as a complete and full response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2005.

RESTRICTION

The Applicants elect without traverse claims 1-21 of Invention I, directed to a method for determining an endpoint of an etch process. Claims 22-41 are withdrawn without prejudice. The Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications to prosecute non-elected subject matter. Thus, the Applicants respectfully request claims 1-21 be considered for further examination.

CONCLUSION

The Applicants submit that all claims now pending are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both consideration of this application and swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that any unresolved issues still exist, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Keith Taboada at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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